

STATE OF MINNESOTA

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

October 21, 1969

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TO: Dr. Roger Johnson, Medical Director
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FROM: Ardo Wrobel
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Department of Public Welfare

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SUBJECT: Joint Conference on Development of Vocational Rehabilitation
Programs for the Mentally Retarded

We would like you to attend the Conference co-sponsored by the Medical Services Division of the Dept. of Public Welfare and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Dept. of Education for the purpose of discussing the development of Vocational Rehabilitation Programs for Mentally Retarded persons.

This conference will be held in Meeting Room B of the Veteran's Bldg., State Capitol Complex, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on December 4, 1969. The major purposes of this discussion will be:

1. Identification of future priorities for the development of Vocational Rehabilitation for Mentally Retarded persons at Brainerd State Hospital, Cambridge State Hospital and Faribault State Hospital, in terms of: C.V.R.P., Vocational Education, Work Activity Programs and other resources.
2. Disposition of the Owatonna State School C.V.R.P. Program and personnel:
 - a. In light of the legislative mandate for continuing to provide the Owatonna State School students with a program of a quality comparable to what they are now receiving.
 - b. In light of the Vocational Rehabilitation needs at Cambridge State Hospital and Faribault State Hospital.

AGENDA FOR THE DAY:

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

STATEWIDE PICTURE

1. Mental Retardation Programs - Ardo Wrobel
2. D.V.R. Resources - August Gehrke

AGENDA CONTINUED:

11:00 to 12:00	GENERAL DISCUSSION OF GOALS AND PRIORITIES FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED AND FOR D.V.R.
12:00 to 1:00	LUNCH: (State Highway Dept. Bldg., Cafeteria)
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS: Participants divided into groups by hospital regions served.
2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	REPORTS ON SUGGESTIONS AND OPINIONS RESULTING FROM REGIONAL GROUPDISCUSSIONS
3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	"WHERE DO WE GO FROMHERE?"

Please respond as to whether we can count on your attendance for this conference.

AW/AG/eo

cc: Miriam Karlins
Chris Ottmar